

**MINUTES OF OFFICERS MEETING  
OF THE  
MISQUAMICUT FIRE DISTRICT**

**September 15, 2005**

**The Officers Meeting of the Misquamicut Fire District was called to order by Moderator, Peter J. Przekop, at 4:30 p.m. on September 15, 2005.**

**Members present were: Peter Przekop, Mary Delisio, Neil Collins, William Sisco, Steven Pont, Joan Przekop, Louis Misto and Michelle Vacca.**

**Stewart Pucci and Stephen Greene (Pucci and Greene) were in attendance to present the Annual Audit report for the Misquamicut Fire District for the Year Ending June 30, 2005 (attachment 1). Copies were distributed to the Officers.**

**A motion was made and seconded that the Board accept the results of the Annual Audit report for the Misquamicut fire District for the Year Ending June 30, 2005. It was,**

**VOTED: That the Board accept the results of the Annual Audit report for the Misquamicut Fire District for the Year Ending June 30, 2004. (P. Przekop, J. Przekop, Delisio, Sisco, Collins, Misto, Pont, Vacca, -Yes)**

**A motion was made and seconded to accept the Officer's Meeting Minutes of August 18, 2005. It was,**

**VOTED: To accept the Officer's Meeting Minutes of August 18, 2005.**

**(P. Przekop, J. Przekop, Sisco, Vacca, Collins, Misto, Pont- Yes)**

**Copies of the Budget Status Sheets through September 15, 2005 (attachment 2), prepared by Treasurer Bill Sisco, were distributed for review.**

**The Tax Collector, Mary Delisio, reported that there was approximately \$329,000.00 in uncollected taxes. The tax bills went out September 1, 2005. A summary of the tax status is in attachment 3.**

**Chief Misto provided a Fire Department Report (attachment 4).**

- Four members started firefighter I class this month.**
- The annual steak fry went well.**
- There are no new issues with the new fire truck.**
- CPR training will take place next Monday.**
- The hearing regarding Don Gingerella's parking lot license was rescheduled for Monday September 19, 2005.**

**The Moderator provided the following report: (attachment 5).**

- Received letters dated August 31, 2005 and September 12, 2005 from taxpayers Gadbois and Maher expressing there concerns over the new parking lot on the Dunn property. The letter was addressed to various Westerly Town Officials and the Misquamicut Moderator and Solicitor.**
- Received an anonymous letter (attachment 6) received regarding concerns regarding perception of special privileges for fire department members and fire department support of challenge to**

sitting board member. The letter was distributed for informational purposes, no action is planned to be taken.

-Attended Licensing Board Meeting regarding parking lot next to Maria's on September 1, 2005 and spoke in opposition the issuance of a license.

-Meeting with Watch Hill regarding Misquamicut responses went well. Chief Scott Harold developed a plan to reduce dependency on the Misquamicut Fire Department. Subsequent to the meeting a decision was made by Watch Hill officials to return to the previous mutual aid agreement. Misquamicut will be called only if Watch Hill is not able to.

-Emergency Access Identification cards were sent out with the tax bills on September 1, 2005.

-Total receipts from beach parking passes were \$37,530.00. \$29,140.00 was applied to last year's budget and \$8390.00 was applied to this year's budget. There were 229 seasonal passes, 102 weekly passes and 12 lost passes.

-The first fire truck payment will be made in October.

The Board discussed a request received from the Andrea Resort Hotel (attachment 7) to use the Benson and Lawton Avenue Beach parking lots in support of the annual Guy Fawkes event on October 8, 2005. In the past the beach parking lots have been used for movies on the beach and for an annual picnic for the Lawton avenue residents. As a result some Board members felt that the Andrea should be allowed use of the parking lots. The Moderator asked if the

**Board wished to vote on the issue but the Board consensus was to seek opinions from the District Solicitor and Insurance agent regarding the feasibility of providing the District lots in support of this event. Based on the opinions of the Solicitor and Insurance Agent a decision would be made regarding this request.**

**Michelle Vacca, Firefighter Incentive Award Committee Chairperson that the committee met earlier in the day and determined that 9 fire department members met the award criteria based on their attendance at meetings, calls, training and work details (attachment 8). One member met the requirements in all but one category and based on the incentive requirements was not recommended for the award.**

**A motion was made and seconded that the report of the Firefighter Incentive Award Committee be accepted and the awards be made to those individuals meeting the award requirements and it was,**

**VOTED: that the report of the Firefighter Incentive Award Committee be accepted and the awards be made to those individuals meeting the award requirements. (P. Przekop, J. Przekop, Delisio, Sisco, Collins, Misto, Vacca, -Yes, Pont- Abstain).**

**The Moderator discussed the “Board Expectations” document (attachment 9) that was distributed in July for review. The document outlines expectations regarding routine reports and communication that the District Officers should be made aware of. Board members were asked if there were any changes needed to the document and**

**one was suggested regarding periodic reporting, by the Tax Assessor, of property transfers within the District. There was agreement consensus regarding the document. The Moderator will update and provide copies to the Board members.**

**The next meeting will be October 20, 2005 at 4:30 p.m.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Joan C. Przekop  
District Clerk**

**Attachments:**

- 1. Audit report for Year Ending June 30, 2005**
- 2. Budget Status Sheets dated September 15, 2005**
- 3. Tax Collector's Report**
- 4. Fire Chief's Report**
- 5. Moderator's Report**
- 6. Anonymous Letter dated August 20, 2005**
- 7. Parking Lot Use Request from the Andrea Resorts Hotel**
- 8. Report of Firefighter Incentive Award Committee**
- 9. Board Expectations Document**